Introduced by Senator Perata

August 20, 2008

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 132—Relative to the California Highway Patrol Officer Brent William Clearman Memorial Freeway.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 132, as introduced, Perata. California Highway Patrol Officer Brent William Clearman Memorial Freeway.

This measure would designate a specified portion of State Highway Route 880 as the California Highway Patrol Officer Brent William Clearman Memorial Freeway. The measure would also request that the Department of Transportation determine the cost for appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, erect those signs.

Fiscal committee: yes.

- 1 WHEREAS, Brent William Clearman was born on January 1,
- 2 1973, in Astoria, Oregon. He later relocated to the Bay Area, and
- 3 lived in such cities as Daly City, Antioch, Vacaville, and Concord,
- 4 California: and
- 5 WHEREAS, Prior to graduation from the California Highway
- 6 Patrol Academy in 2005, Officer Clearman served his country in
- 7 the Marine Corps as a sniper, and later moved up to instructor. As
- 8 such, Officer Clearman shared his extensive knowledge and skills
- 9 with others, and continued on to teach sniper tactics to law
- 10 enforcement agencies; and
- 11 WHEREAS, After graduation from the California Highway
- 12 Patrol Academy, Officer Clearman, Badge Number 17843, was
- 13 assigned to the Oakland area, Beat 370; and

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WHEREAS, On August 6, 2006, Officer Clearman was struck by a hit and run driver while investigating a traffic collision in Alameda County. Officer Clearman was immediately transported to a local hospital where he succumbed to his injuries; and

WHEREAS, Officer Clearman is survived by his wife, Cathy Jo, as well as his mother, Carol, his father, William, and sisters, Ann Myenatsu, Tara Stull, and Julie Clearman; and

WHEREAS, Officer Clearman's presence will be felt for years to come throughout the California Highway Patrol and the law enforcement community. Many are saddened by his loss, and will work to preserve his memory; and

WHEREAS, Officer Clearman will always be admired for his firearm marksmanship, work ethic, and dedication to the California Highway Patrol and his family and friends. Officer Clearman was an outstanding man and will not be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the portion of State Highway Route 880 in Alameda County between northbound mile marker 26.61 and southbound mile marker 27.63 be designated as the California Highway Patrol Officer Brent William Clearman Memorial Freeway; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers, consistent with the signing requirements for the state highway system, showing the special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those plaques and markers; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation and to the author for appropriate distribution.